their very tender age. There is no question of sufficiency of accommodation in the Boys' School.

In the second place, girls reading in Forms I, II and III require a good deal of time to be devoted to their specialised studies like music, needle-work, etc., for which it will be very difficult to make provision in the Boys' School. The difficulties are more practical than theoretical. And as the hon'ble member himself is aware, the question of accommodation in the Boys' School is an extremely difficult one to solve.

Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon *(Cranganur):* May I know, Sir, whether in case a girl student does not want to take up any specialised subject, she will not be allowed to remain in the Boys' School? I say such a procedure is meaningless.

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* There is no question of music or needle-work being optional in that stage. Needle-work is compulsory, whether she wants it or not. So long as she has to be at school she has to study the one or the other.

COURT HOUSE—DISTRICT MUNSIFF'S COURT, TRICHUR—INADEQUACY OF SPACE

140. Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) where the additional District Munsiff's Court, Trichur is housed;

(*b*) the area in sq. ft. of the hall of the additional District Munsiff's Court, Trichur, where the Munsiff conducts his court;

(*c*) the area occupied by the raised dais of the court where the Munsiff sits and the area occupied by the witness box and almirah;

(*d*) whether the court hall is not adjacent to the clerks' room of the court; how is the clerks' room separated from court hall;

(*e*) the number of clerks who are seated in the clerks' room referred to in (*d*);

(*f*) whether the Government have received any communication from anybody pointing out that the space in the court referred to above is inadequate;

(*g*) when was this communication received?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):*

(*a*) The additional District Munsiff's Court is held in the central hall of the Trichur District Munsiff's Court building.

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(*b*) 380 sq. ft.

(*c*) The area occupied by the dais is 64 sq. ft., the witness box 9 sq. ft. and the almirah 8 sq. ft.

(*d*) Yes; the court hall is adjacent to the clerks' room. The clerks' room is separated from the court hall by a row of 4 almirahs serving as a partition wall.

(*e*) Six.

(*f*) No.

(*g*) No answer is required in view of the reply to (*f*).

Mr. President : That problem has now been solved. The Additional Munsiff's Court is now shifted to the District Magistrate's Court.

BRIDGE TO CONNECT CHENNAMANGALAM WITH THEKKETHURUTH—CONSTRUCTION OF

141. Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether they have any proposal with them to construct a bridge to connect Chennamangalam with Thekkethuruth ;

(*b*) if the answer to (*a*) is in the affirmative, will they be pleased to state when the work will be taken up ;

(*c*) whether they have received any petition from the inhabitants of Chennamangalam and the neighbouring places to provide a free ferry between Chennamangalam and Thekkethuruth till the bridge is constructed ;

(*d*) if answer to (*c*) is in the affirmative what action has been taken in the matter ;

(*e*) will the Government further be pleased to print and place on the table of the House the following Government orders relating to the bridge between Chennamangalam and Thekkethuruth ;

(*i*) Order dated 23rd October 1930, Dis. 357/D/06, P. W. D.

(*ii*) Memo dated 28th May 1932, D. Dis. 13943/07, D. D.

(*iii*) D. P. dated 31st March 1933, L. Dis. 12657/08, P. W. D.

(*iv*) Memo dated 3rd June 1937, L. Dis. 18131/12, P. W. D.

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